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KEEP COOL! and buy at Bartholomews' Store, Cheapest Store in Centre County.

LOCAL ITEMS.

It is still somewhat difficult for dealers to get coal. The snow is eight inches deep at Gaylord, Mich., after a two days' storm. Our county taxes have been reduced—tax payers, vote for Greist for that. Grove valley has many Republican votes here, Rhoads seems to be no go with them. Mr. A. B. McNitt, one of Millfin county's wealthy farmers, spent a few days over here beginning of the week. Weather broke in clear on Wednesday, but rather cool, having been cloudy and raw three or four days previous. Quarterly meeting was held in the M. E. church, in this place, last Sabbath. The presiding elder, also Rev. Bouse, were present. Curtin and Orris have consented to address the meeting at Penn Hall, Wed. evening Nov. 2nd. This is sufficient to guarantee a large attendance. Landlord Bibby, of Spring Mills, will move to Baltimore, this week. We have not learned who will be Mr. Bibby's successor at the Spring Mills house. Some chappies are very much annoyed by the good that has been accomplished by the REPORTER—it gives 'em a gripping in their jealous bowels, when one whispers about it. Herby, a bright and interesting son of Mr. Samuel Musser, of Millheim, died on last Sunday morning and was buried on Tuesday. We did not learn the nature of the disease; his age was about eight years. A heavy county debt that hung over us for years, has been paid off; the county now has a balance of \$17,000 in its favor; the taxes have been reduced. For all this every honest man owes A. J. Greist his vote for a third term. A vicious bull owned by Wee Snyder, of near Rebersburg, says the Lock Haven Democrat, broke loose, one gentleman's horse stable, lacerating one of the animals in a frightful manner. The Methodist church in Boalsburg will be reopened next Sunday. There will be a service at 10 o'clock a.m. and also one in the evening. Rev. Mr. Elliot, of Birmingham, will preach the sermon. The pastor of the church is Rev. Samuel Ham. Lumbering operations are becoming quite active in the mountains between this and Pleasant Gap. New saw mills are being put in and every stick of timber of any value whatever is being cut down and converted into lumber, most of which is being shipped. The weather on Friday set in quite raw and somewhat stormy, and on Saturday morning lonely snowflakes could be seen drifting around as if to remind us that winter was nigh. Sunday was also cold with high winds prevailing. Accounts of fearful storms in all parts of the lake region reach us, attended by great damage to shipping and loss of lives, and to buildings. We had very high winds in our county from Sunday to Wednesday, but not of a nature to cause any damage. Mr. Joseph Ludwig returned on Tuesday evening from Selingsgrove, where he had been called some time ago by the sudden illness of his wife, who was visiting her parents. Mrs. Ludwig is still quite ill from rheumatism and is confined to her bed. A party of hunters from Penn, who were at Paddy Mt., returned Saturday, having killed a deer. Deer, thus far, have not been reported plenty. Guess when Commissioner Decker gets to looking around a little, after election, venison will fall in price, as his luck is proverbial. Just now John is busy hunting voters. The large barn owned by Mr. Scott Woods, about one mile from Julian Furnace, was destroyed by fire Monday morning at 9 o'clock, together with all its contents. It contained some good stock and the entire crop of the year. Mr. Woods had no insurance. This makes the loss very heavy for him and he will have general sympathy in his misfortune. The Beech Creek railroad company, since the cold weather began, says the Lock Haven Express, have been trying the experiment of heating their passenger cars with steam, and with complete success. The steam used for making the heat is taken from the engine and does the work of a stove satisfactorily. The system works so well that it will likely be generally adopted. The party of hunters that alighted from the train, Monday, and struck for Colyer's, boarded the train again, on Saturday. They had no venison, but had a dozen turkeys—wild turkeys they called 'em—of goodly size, dangling from their belts, which were taken home to Dauphin county to attest to their skill as Nimrods. Hope the turkeys were actually wild, as they would be better eating.

LOCAL HISTORY.

The following items pertaining to our local history, will be of interest: Hanne, in the Indian language, means stream. Bald Eagle was called by the Delaware Waplanewach Schischanne—i.e., the stream of the Bald Eagle's Nest. Beech Creek was called by the Delaware Schaweninch-hanne, i. e., Beech Stream. Buffalo Run was so named from a buffalo lick on that stream. Fishing Creek was called by the Indiana Namee-hanne, i. e., Fish Stream. Moshannon was called Mooshanne, that is Elk Stream. Nittany mountain, is the range from Lemont to the river at Lewisburg. Penns Creek was called in 1754 Kaarondinah, and later John Penn's Creek. Poe Creek was named after Capt. John Poe, son-in-law of Gen. James Potter. Sinnemahoning comes from Achsinmahoni, meaning Stony Lick. Sinking Creek so named because it sinks and reappears at different points. Tussey mountains extend from near Potters Mills to beyond Spruce Creek, and were named after a family named Tussey, early settlers in Huntingdon county. Wallis Run, named after Samuel Wallis, of Muncy, who owned large tracts along that stream. Penn's Valley was discovered in 1764 by Capt. Potter, from top of Nittany mountain. The Manor of Succoth contained 820 acres, upwards from the mouth of Sinking creek, and was owned by the Penns until 1791, when it was sold, at the death of John Penn, in three parts. No. 3 was sold by the Penns to Archibald Allison, and embraces the property still owned by his descendants. No. 2, was sold to John Harper in 1791. The Manor of Nottingham, 1035 acres, was held by the Penns until 1794 when they divided it into three parts. Their manor lay north of the Boalsburg road in Potter township, beginning near Old Fort and extended to the Harris and Potter townships line, embracing the lands principally between the railroad and the Boalsburg road. The first emigrant to Centre county was Andrew Boggs, 1769, who settled near the mouth of Spring Creek. The first settler in Penn's valley was Wilcot, where Earlstown now is, in 1772, and he was the only one that year. In 1774 there were five settlers, Geo. M. Cornick, Potter, McGrew, J. M. Mullien and Hubler. Potter township was erected in 1774, being in Northumberland county and extended from Lemont east to and including a part of Hartley township, in Union county, and all Brush valley. The first grist mill and sawmill, the McGrew mill, erected in 1775, on the site of the present Red Mill. In 1778 the family of Abraham Standford were murdered by the Indians. Mr. Standford, his wife and two children, at their hut on the farm owned in 1831 by Peter Ruble. The bodies lie buried in a corner of one of the fields of Ephraim Keller's farm. There were two forts in Penn's valley, the Upper Fort, in Potter township, and the Lower Fort, in Haines township, on farm of John Bowersox, near Hubler's Run. Gen. Potter owned most of the land from Earlstown to near Spring Mills, and also held negro slaves. He erected the grist mill at Potters bank, 1788-89, which was destroyed by fire a few years ago, then property of Wm. J. Thompson. In 1790 Haines township was erected, and named after Reuben Haines, a brewer of Philadelphia, who owned a large body of land in that township. The first store at Potter's bank was opened in 1790 by James Potter, Jr., and one year later he erected a distillery. Centre Furnace was erected in 1791, by Col. Samuel Miles and Col. Patton, and was the first blast furnace in Centre county. Miles township was organized in 1797, out of part of Haines. The first post office in our county was established at Milesburg in 1797. Joseph Green, post master; prior to this the nearest post office was Northumberland. The Valentine Forges, at Bellefonte were erected in 1798 by John Danlop. In April 1798 the post office at Aaronburg was established with James Duncan as post master, and same year post office at Bellefonte with James Harris as p. m. July 1799 John Patton offered a reward of 2s for a runaway slave, John. Centre county was erected in 1800. Our first county jail was 30 feet long and 25 feet wide in the clear and cost \$1162. First President Judge was James Riddle in 1701. The following licenses were granted: Matthias Beuck, Aaronburg; Robert Porter, Franklin; Thomas Wilson, Centre; James Whitehill, Potter; and Philip Callahan, Aaronburg. Licenses increased from that, until a few years ago the number of applicants was about 70; now the number granted is reduced to about 18. The first county tax levied amounted to \$1755.50. Centre township was abolished in 1810 and Howard and Walker erected out of the territory. Ferguson and Halfmoon townships were erected in 1801. The first murder, 1802, in the county was by a negro, Daniel Byers who shot a mulatto, James Barrows. James Duncan, high Sheriff, executed Byers, Dec. 13, 1802. The rope broke, and there came near being a row, which however was squelched. Rush township was erected 1814, also Boggs. Monks, of Potter twp., was hung Jan. 23, 1819, for the murder of Reuben Guild. In 1820 the robbers, Lewis and Connelly, were the terror of the Seven Mountains.

NOTES.

S. L. S.—Chestnuts all. Thanks to all who send us money on bills enclosed. Potatoes are not trump any more, just now. Wm. Reed, for several years a hand in the roller mill, has resigned, and will fit to some other part of the kingdom. Chas. Bolinger has moved to Altoona. Next Will Shirk threatens to flit to Altoona. Pay your dues on REPORTER, and be happy. Democrats, and all others, turn out to the Democratic meetings. Vote for Greist, the best commissioner we ever had.

POTTER'S MILLS ITEMS.

William Ruble, a son of Mrs. William Strong, of this place, had one of his limbs badly hurt, at school, one day last week. Caused by jumping upon the back of another boy and falling to the ground. Mr. John Wilkinson is having his new house painted by D. F. Luse, of Centre Hall. The house presents a fine appearance and with the beautiful location, makes it an attractive home. Mr. Wilkinson and family intend to occupy it this fall. Mr. W. J. Thompson is having a new saw mill put where the old one was consumed by fire, last winter, and will be ready for the rolling in of logs early in the winter. The farmers are about through with their corn in this section; some have their cribs full, others are still storing away. The hunters of this vicinity have not obtained any deer yet; they have only been out a few days. Miss Alice Palmer, of this place, is visiting relatives at Reedsville. Rev. G. W. Bouse, formerly of Penns Valley charge, and now of Milesburg, filled the pulpit of the M. E. church, at Spruceville, Sabbath last, and delivered a fine sermon on the following text: "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." After which the Lord's Supper was administered to a goodly number of communicants. All seemed to be gratified by his appearance.

FOUND DEAD.

A woman, named Gingerick, whose maiden name was Shultz, living alone, near Farmer's Mills, was found dead in her bed, on last Sunday morning. She was last seen on Friday evening, and was husking corn on Thursday for a neighbor. On Sunday morning the family of John Emerick, living close to Mrs. Gingerick, observing that all was quiet about the woman's house and that they had not seen her for a day or longer, went and rapped at her door, but received no answer. Some men were called who managed to look in through the window of Mrs. Gingerick's bed chamber, and saw her lying on the bed. They forced open the door, and found the woman dead. Her age was about 50 years.

THE MARRIED WOMAN'S LAW.

In Court of Common Pleas, No. 3, Philadelphia, a suit was brought in the name of a man and his wife in the right of his wife against the maker of a promissory note. In the affidavit of defense to the action the point was made that the wife, being the holder of the note, should have sued, under the new act, in her own name, and that the husband, being joined with her, the action was improperly brought. This point was sustained by the Court.

A BIG LAY OF EGGS.

Our friend Rocky, the Tusseyville huckster, had some 200 dozen eggs stolen from his shed, on last Friday night. Rocky had his wagon loaded and in readiness to attend market at Bellefonte next morning, but when he wanted to start, he found the eggs missing, somebody had found the nest and no doubt thought the hen-fruit might freeze, of being out, and the eggs were found non est. Mr. Rocky thinks he can get track of the thieves and will make a haul in return. We hope so, eggs-actly.

FOUND GUILTY.

Mr. Ernest, the man who got out fraudulent pension papers, was tried at U. S. court, at Pittsburg, one day last week and found guilty, and was sentenced to two years imprisonment. Ernest had his home in and about Coburn, had no family, led a life of straggling life, and is about 45 years of age.

Monday night burglars entered the store of Mr. James Musser, at Hartleton, and after loading up a spring wagon they had backed up to the front door with general merchandise, moved off. It was a quiet steal and nothing has been heard of the night hawks since, although the bold break has aroused the Hartley Twp. detectives.—Sat. News.

Fleming, the fashionable tailor, Bellefonte, Pa. Miss Christie Krape has started on a trip to California. J. Calvin Solt expects to open a tailoring establishment in Centre Hall before very long. Mr. A. B. McNitt, one of Millfin county's wealthy farmers, spent a few days over here beginning of the week. Cool weather is setting in and you want a fall overcoat. To get one cheap go to Lewins, at the Philad. Branch. Did you see the fine assortment of square parlor heaters at Keesman's stove emporium? Everybody is bound to have one. Democrats, look out for traitors in the ranks. The vile Gazette plainly betrays that it is in cahoot with them again. Quarterly meeting was held in the M. E. church, in this place, last Sabbath. The presiding elder, also Rev. Bouse, were present. You may be in need of clothing for winter wear, don't fail to see goods and prices at M. F. Fablie's Rochester clothing house, Bellefonte, Pa. Every Democrat in the valley should attend at least one of the Democratic meetings to be held at different points between this and election day, Nov. 8th. Get your ready made clothing at the Philadelphia Branch, and you will not be imposed upon and save money besides. Lewins always deals fairly, and is a lowest in the county. The cold weather is coming on us rapidly and there is nothing more cheering than to have one of Keesman's beautiful square parlor heaters in your home to keep everything comfortable. Dr. Chas. Emerick has come down; we mean he has left his mountain home and flitted down town and occupies part of the Whitmer homestead, vacated recently by Chas. Bollinger. We can now call Dr. neighbor, and will have him handy in case we need a pill. Fleming, the fashionable tailor of Bellefonte, is busy day and night putting out work. He is located in Crider's new building in the diamond where everybody can find his room. A good fit and in the latest style is what you get when you leave your order for a suit. Go to Flemings for fine clothing.

A WOMAN BADLY WOUNDED.

THE VERY SERIOUS AFFAIR WHICH OCCURRED ON SATURDAY NIGHT. Relative to the rumored shooting of a woman at Bellefonte, Saturday night, last, we glean the following from the News: The place of the crime is the house occupied by John Bryan and wife No. 23 West Smith street—sometimes called Thomas street. The time was a few minutes before 10 o'clock. The following is Poorman's story: Edward Poorman and Harvey Laver, or Stratton, as he is sometimes called, were passing along Smith street about 10 o'clock that night. Both of them had been drinking. Poorman entered John Bryan's room which is on the basement floor No. 23. Mrs. Bryan was there alone. Some words passed between them when Poorman took hold of Mrs. Bryan roughly. She told him to desist. About this time Stratton also entered. She threatened to shoot them and went to an organette and opened it, presumably to take out a revolver. Then the men left and when about fifty yards from the house they heard the report of a revolver. The woman's story is as follows: She relates that Poorman entered her room and took hold of her. Although she resisted him he forced her onto a lounge. Then Stratton entered and she called to him—"For God's sake take this man away!" He did not attempt to do so, but she managed to reach the organette from which she took a large 38-calibre revolver. Poorman grasped it at the same time, and in the struggle it was discharged. The bullet wounded the middle finger and the thumb of her right hand and then entered the abdomen just above the pelvis, making a wound straight through to the vicinity of the backbone, near which it must be lodged. The wound was probed part way by Dr. Miles Kirk. No attempt has been made to extract the bullet. A man named Fulton lives overhead who heard the struggle below and also the report of the revolver. As soon as the woman was shot she ran into the house of Mr. William Baney, next door, and exclaimed either that she had been shot or that she shot herself. Anyone who knows the nature of a wound almost through the body at such a spot will be surprised that the woman is still alive. Edward Poorman is only about 19 years of age. He belongs to an excellent family, and his father, who works at the planing mill here, is deeply grieved and mortified that his son should be concerned in such a crime. Harvey Laver, or Stratton, is 27 years of age. Both live at Coleville. The men were arrested on Saturday night and placed in jail. This morning they were released on bail.

COBURN HAPPENINGS.

A crowd of our deer hunters was out five days last week and came home with one spike buck, and report deer not very plenty. Another crowd went out this morning. Last Thursday evening several of our citizens had an invitation to come to Langley to a birth day party, and report having a good time. On Saturday evening they had quite a fracas down at Fowler. They say the spitoons, rocking chair and stove wood flew lively for a few minutes, but no body hurt, only a little furniture demolished. The party will be arrested for common law battery.—Such is life when a man can't control his temper. Esq. Garthoff has removed his office from Vonada's store to his residence on Railroad street. Wallace Kerstetter is trying his hand at counter jumping at Vonada's store. On last Sunday Rev. Yearick held communion services, and had a well filled house. Henry Whitmer was here yesterday to see his how his lumber business is flourishing. Somewhat under the weather for some time and had to come back to Centre county. It don't seem to agree with him in Union county. O. K. Coburn, Oct. 25, 1887. We clip the following from the Lock Haven Democrat: W. Curtis, the lightning manipulator of the Bohemian oats swindle, is said to be carrying on his business in New York. A gentleman of our town has received letters of inquiry as to Curtis's standing, and as to the Penna. Seed Company of Bellefonte. Anyone of Mr. Curtis's many victims in our county would pronounce him a fraud and swindler of the first water. His Penna. Seed Co. as a fraud, his bonds are a swindle and Curtis himself is a grand rascal. He is wanted here by his swindling operations and if any of his victims desire his address we will furnish it to them.—Centre Democrat. Yet what is to be thought of a fellow knowing all the above, and then be a willing tool to suck his own neighbors into such a swindle? TURN OUT! There will be no large parade, display of fireworks, balloon ascension or any kind of bombastic show at the various Democratic meetings to be held in this valley between this and Nov. 8th. Instead every voter, tax payer and citizen, no matter what political faith or creed, is requested to be present and hear the discussion of the issues involved in the present campaign. It is your right to vote, moreover it is your solemn duty, and in order to vote intelligently you should hear a free and open discussion of the men and principles at stake. Let every laborer, farmer, merchant and American citizen in Penns Valley turn out, and hear how his interests are to be protected and decide how to vote that they may be advanced in the future. Turn out, one and all! NEW FIRM. On Wednesday evening of this week Henry Booser sold his grocery store Meat Market and building, to John Spangler who will take possession of the same next Tuesday. As we understand Mr. Spangler and son Reuben will carry on the business the same as heretofore. From what we learned from Mr. Booser he expects to leave Centre Hall and locate some where in the west, in the course of a few months. The tailoring establishment connected with the Philad. Branch is over-run with orders for suits, and it now employs more hands than any other establishment in the county. The suits made by them under the best satisfaction, and the prices are found lower than elsewhere. This accounts for the rush they have there.

SPRING MILLS.

The M. E. Church is being painted by Geo. Leitzell, and the plasterers have finished, after which it will soon be completed. Rev. J. W. Evans and family are visiting his parents but expect to return this week. J. H. Bibby our obliging landlord will move to Baltimore this week, at present cannot say if the house will be left vacant. Mary Duncan is visiting relations and friends before she starts for Florida, Nov. 10th at which place she intends making her home. Miss D. K. Miller will leave for Lock Haven in a few weeks to remain for a sometime. I notice Augustus Kennelly has become a popular solo singer in the Reformed choir. R. G. Eisenhart our enterprising Creamery man is moving business in the right direction, and has become settled down. Geo. Shesly at Penns Cave, is again running his saw mill at full blast. Sallie Shultz at Farmers Mills was buried Monday last, age 72. Her death was unknown for several days. Neighbors not seeing any smoke, made an examination and found the house locked. They forced an entrance and to their horror found her lying a corpse in bed, with her wearing apparel on in the position as though she was sleeping. There was no evidence of a struggle or dislocation of any clothing, she had been husking corn on Thursday evening. It is supposed she died Friday or Friday night and was found Sunday morning. Mrs. E. H. Meyer was in town over Sunday visiting friends. H. M. Bidwell, is as happy as a big sniffler over the addition of a girl baby. C. P. Long will move next week.

THE FIRST SHOT.

Last evening the political campaign was opened up in Centre county by an outpouring of the Democracy and citizens of Farmers Mills. The meeting was largely attended which is an indication of a healthy Democracy in that section and will make their influence felt at the polls Nov. 8th. The Farmers Mills band was present and enlivened the occasion by rendering some fine music. The meeting was then organized with A. C. Ripka as chairman and M. L. Rishel acting secretary. The first speaker of the evening was Mr. James C. Noll, of Bellefonte, who came forward and made a stirring appeal to the voters, and reminded them of their privileges, and duty to elect good men. This we believe was Jim's maiden effort in the political arena of Centre Co., and he acquitted himself in fine style. He was followed by Ex-Prothonotary Williams who made a few timely remarks upon the past record of the Democracy. The last speaker on the program was the old reliable stump speaker D. F. Fortney whose stirring eloquence and ringing voice has been heard in every section of our county for years. His presentation of the issues of the present campaign was clear, forcible and to the point. He spoke briefly upon National and State issues and then took up the County issues and discussed them in detail. The Democratic voters in that section have gone to work and by Nov. 8th will bring in all the wandering votes and add new ones to the list.

DIED.

Newton Samuel, son of John and Sarah Lohr, in Benner township, on October 20, age 2 mo. 1 day. Bible, son of Hiram Durst, of near Centre Hall, on Thursday, Oct. 20; age 18 years, 11 months and 15 days.

Wanted, at the REPORTER office, on subscription, several quarters of good beef. Can be delivered at any time between this and Feb. next. Report soon.

DIPHTHERIA AT MILLHEIM.

Report reaches us that Millheim is afflicted with and epidemic in the form of diphtheria which has been the cause of several deaths of late. The disease is spreading rapidly and at present writing some twenty cases or more have been reported and the public schools are to be closed and other stringent measures adopted to check the malignant disease.

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GRAIN.

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COAL MARKET.

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